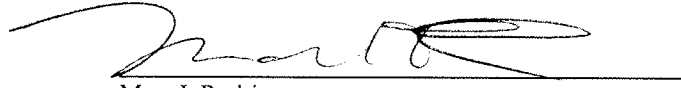


PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION**

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Applicant : Lutz Biedermann, et al. Confirmation No. 4926
Application No. : 10/660,453
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Docket No. : 58780/B884

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated February 12, 2007 for 3 month(s) from May 12, 2007 to August 13, 2007.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 510	\$ 1020	\$1,020.00
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 795	\$1590	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1080	\$2160	\$

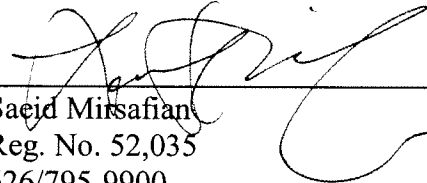
Extension of Time fee of \$1,020.00 to be charged to Deposit Account No.: 03-1728.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account No.: 03-1728.

Respectfully submitted,

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